FINAL
CANDIA HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, January 14, 2020
SMYTH MEMORIAL BUILDING, 7PM

Present: Diane Philbrick, Betty Sabeau, Carmelle Druchniak, Carol Howe

Absent: Lorraine Briand, Ray Cresswell, selectmen’s rep Brien Brock

Guest: Tim Bond (potential new member)

Opening Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes
Minutes from the commission’s December meeting were approved

Bean Island Project
The project continues with the assistance of Chris Dupere.
On a related note, since the Cemetery Commission’s proposed $5K budget item for a new gate was not included in the budget to be voted on in March, the item may be included for voter consideration as a warrant article.

Cleaning Gravestones
The Commission will discuss at some future meeting the possibility of coordinating a day in the spring related to cleaning of old gravestones in town.
This idea was triggered by Diane sharing before-and-after photos of Jesse Remington’s grave after it was cleaned.

Some members noted that since the Commission has relinquished coordination of the earth Day roadside clean-up, this might be worthwhile endeavor.

Another What’s It? Presentation in April?
Carmelle will contact Roland Girard about the possibility of another session at the Smyth Library featuring his fantastic finds – and those brought by audience members.

Other Business

• Diane Philbrick thanked those who staffed the Smyth Memorial Building during Lights on the Hill in December
• The Commission’s Annual Report has been submitted for inclusion in the Town Report
• Diane shared one of the Candia Blister Rust Maps created in 1936 to evaluate the danger of blister rust on the valuable white pines. All found
the delineation of stone walls very interesting and considered pursuing the subject

- Carmelle will promote the Hill signs (designating the center of town) for promotion on the Candia community FB page and via local media

Since the Commission needs to continue meetings with Christine Dupere related to the Bean Island project, and since she cannot attend the regularly scheduled meeting in February (2nd Tuesday of the month), the next meeting of the Candia Heritage Commission is set for Thursday Feb 13, 2019 at 9 a.m. at the Smyth Memorial Building.

Respectfully submitted by Carmelle Druchniak